

2009-2010 Fulbright Research Awards for African Scholars

RESEARCH IN THE UNITED STATES

Awards will be offered for African University faculty either to conduct postdoctoral research or undertake a planned program of reading and research during the 2008-2009 academic year at a U.S. academic or research institution. Programs involving dissertation research or general professional travel will not be accepted. Ideal programs will contribute to the development of new courses, curricula, or programs upon the participants' return to their home institution.

Application and Selection

Awards are open without regard to academic discipline, faculty rank, sex and age. Preference will be given to those proposals that will best promote the spirit and goals of the Fulbright Program: to increase and enhance mutual understanding between the United States and African countries through interpersonal contact and the sharing of professional/academic experience and expertise among the widest possible audience. This year's competition includes a special category for scholars with proposals in AIDS and AIDS-related research. Preference will also be given to individuals who have not visited the United States for any appreciable period within the past five years. A good command of English and at least three years of university teaching experience is essential. Applicants must be citizens of the country from which they are applying.

The application deadline is May 31, 2008.

Abstracts of proposed research accompanied by a detailed C.V. must reach the U.S. Embassy Public Affairs Section no later than May 31, 2008. For more information please send e-mails to HararePAS@state.gov .

Applications will be accepted for either of the following:

◆ Postdoctoral Research (*awards of three to nine months' duration*)

Applicants should have a productive scholarly record and a project statement directly related to their ongoing teaching and/or research responsibilities. Funding is normally for one term or semester (about four months). Longer grants may be possible if the research project requires more time, as clearly demonstrated in the research proposal.

◆ Professional Development (*awards of three to five months' duration*)

Undertake a planned program of reading and research of benefit to both the scholar and home institution. Proposals should be linked to professional duties (teaching, advising, administration) and should demonstrate how the scholar would use the knowledge gained to update and improve classroom instruction at the home institution.

Grant Provisions

- Round-trip economy international travel and excess-baggage allowance for the grantee.
- Travel is provided for one dependent for awards of 9 months.
- A monthly cost-of-living allowance, which is subject to U.S. income tax.
- An allowance of \$750 for books, research materials and travel to professional meetings.
- An allowance of \$500 for settling in.
- Limited accident and sickness insurance for the grantee only.
- An allowance to defray the cost of U.S. medical insurance for a maximum of two dependents

Applications are transmitted by the American Embassy through the United States Department of State to the Council of International Exchange of Scholars (CIES) in Washington, DC. Whenever possible, scholars should plan to travel beginning August 2009 or January 2010 so as to coincide with U.S. university schedules. Academic programs in the summer months, May through August, are limited.

**APPLICATION FORMS MUST BE
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Program Officer (Fulbright-ARS)
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